

09-330 Office of Mental Health – Central Office

The mission of the Office of Mental Health (OMH) is to provide a comprehensive, integrated continuum of mental health care (system of services) statewide, including emergency services, community treatment and support, and specialized inpatient services, for targeted adults with serious mental illness and children/youth with serious emotional/behavioral disturbance in need, in accordance with state and national accrediting organizations standards for service access, quality, outcome, and cost.

The goals of the Office of Mental Health are:

1. To aid in the recovery of persons suffering from mental disorders.
2. To achieve a cost-effective, cost-efficient system of services for all targeted persons in need of mental health services statewide while maintaining the best possible quality of care.
3. To develop a comprehensive, integrated, statewide continuum of contemporary and innovative mental health services for adults with serious mental illness and children/adolescents with serious emotional/behavioral disorders, including supported housing, employment, education, and other organized consumer support services.

OMH is responsible for the statewide management and operational support of a comprehensive array of mental health services and delivers an integrated system of community inpatient hospital programs; some are directly operated by the state and others are contracted with service providers. This integrated system of care includes mental health services, rehabilitation, education, employment, social, and other support services. The system assures interagency collaboration appropriate for adults and children and the multiple needs of those who have serious mental and emotional disorders.

The system of services encompasses all 64 Louisiana parishes and is organized into three geographic service areas: A (southeast Louisiana), B (southwest Louisiana), and C (North Louisiana). It includes 34 community mental health centers, 7 psychiatric acute inpatient units, 6 state psychiatric hospitals (including one forensic hospital), as well as contracted services, such as mobile crisis services, case management, and other services provided through private and non-profit agencies. The Office maintains memoranda of agreement with Jefferson Parish Human Service Authority (see 09-300) and the Capitol Area Human Service District (see 09-302) for mental health services within their respective parishes. All services are integrated within a statewide system of care.

The Office of Mental Health has two programs: Administration and Support and Community Mental Health.

BUDGET SUMMARY

	ACTUAL 1999- 2000	ACT 11 2000 - 2001	EXISTING 2000 - 2001	CONTINUATION 2001 - 2002	RECOMMENDED 2001 - 2002	RECOMMENDED OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:						
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct)	\$5,509,949	\$5,503,671	\$5,503,671	\$5,404,717	\$4,783,012	(\$720,659)
STATE GENERAL FUND BY:						
Interagency Transfers	35,727	108,113	108,113	171,859	110,275	2,162
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	0	35,000	35,000	5,000	5,000	(30,000)
Statutory Dedications	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	1,694,996	5,805,531	6,157,351	5,981,131	5,631,131	(526,220)
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$7,240,672	\$11,452,315	\$11,804,135	\$11,562,707	\$10,529,418	(\$1,274,717)
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Administration & Support	\$4,028,593	\$4,179,951	\$4,190,171	\$4,108,123	\$3,687,003	(\$503,168)
Community Mental Health Program	3,212,079	7,272,364	7,613,964	7,454,584	6,842,415	(771,549)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST	\$7,240,672	\$11,452,315	\$11,804,135	\$11,562,707	\$10,529,418	(\$1,274,717)
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME EQUIVALENTS: Classified	49	38	38	38	34	(4)
Unclassified	1	3	3	3	3	0
TOTAL	50	41	41	41	37	(4)

This agency's recommended appropriation does not include any funds for short-term debt.

In addition to the above recommended appropriation, \$242,368 will be paid in Fiscal Year 2001-2002 for long-term debt incurred on behalf of this agency from the previous sale of bonds. Total long-term debt payments for the state for Fiscal Year 2001-2002 are reflected in the Governor's Executive Budget Supporting Document in Non-Appropriated Requirements, Schedule 22- 922.

This agency's recommended appropriation also includes the following amount by means of financing for payments on the unfunded accrued liability of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System in accordance with the provisions of Article X, Section 29 of the Constitution of Louisiana:

State General Fund (Direct)	\$122,488
State General Fund by:	
Interagency Transfers	2,824
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	128
Federal Funds	8,748
Total	\$134,188